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SUBJECT: VIOLATION OF TRAFFIC REGULATIONS BY MEMBERS OF  
DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

REF: USUN 232, 267, 337

1. EDITORIAL IN DELEGATE'S WORLD BULLETIN IS HEADLINED " PRESS  
SHOULD STOP BERATING DIPLOMATIC PARKERS." BULLETIN TAKES POSITION  
THAT DIPLOMATS ARE NO MARE GUILTY OF VIOLATING PARKING REGULATIONS  
THAN ORDINARY CITIZENS, THAT THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH FREE AND LOW  
COST AREAS TO PARK A CAR LEGALLY AND THEREFORE WHY MAKE SCAPE-

GOATS OF DIPLOMATS.

2. CHARGE IS MADE IN EDITORIAL THAT "IT IS EXTRAORDINARY THAT  
SUPPOSEDLY SOPHISTICATED NEW YORKERS SHOULD BE SO EXCITED BY IT."  
PERHAPS IT IS NEWS TO THEM THAT AMONG WORST OFFENDERS IN FOREIGN  
CAPITALS ARE AMERICAN DIPLOMATS. PERHAPS IT IS BECAUSE US TENDS  
TO HAVE BIGGEST MISSIONS. ANY OBSERVANT VISITOR TO US EMBASSY IN  
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LONDON FOR EXAMPLE, WILL RECALL HAVING SEEN ILLEGALLY PARKED

CARS ALL OVER BLOCK. AND SO IT IS IN PARIS, BONN, VIENNA AND VIRTUALLY EVERY OTHER CITY WITH A SIZEABLE POPULATION OF FOREIGN DIPLOMATS."

3. IT IS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE THAT THIS CHARGE WILL BE ECHOED BY DIPLOMATS PERSONALLY AS WELL AS IN UN COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH HOST COUNTRY.

4. CONSEQUENTLY, DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS ON CHARGES ARE REQUESTED. COMMENTS FROM POSTS NAMED IN EDITORIAL WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

5. USUN HAS MADE STATEMENTS IN COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH HOST COUNTRY THAT WE EXPECTS ITS DIPLOMATS WILL OBEY TRAFFIC LAWS AND WILL PAY FOR TRAFFIC TICKETS RECEIVED. PLEASE CONFIRM IF OUR UNDER-

STANDING IS CORRECT.  
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